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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Non-Final Office Action dated October 10, 2006, concerning the above-referenced patent application.

Amendments to the Abstract are presented on page 2 of this document.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this document.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this document.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 7 of this document, and include an attached replacement drawing sheet.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: